# CPSC 330 Applied Machine Learning

# Lecture 6: sklearn ColumnTransformer and Text Features

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# **Imports**

```
In [1]:
            import os
           import sys
         4 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
         5 import numpy as np
         6 import pandas as pd
         7 | from IPython.display import HTML
         9 sys.path.append("../code/.")
        10 from plotting functions import *
        11 from utils import *
        12
        13 pd.set option("display.max colwidth", 200)
        14
        15 from sklearn.compose import ColumnTransformer, make column transformer
        16 from sklearn.dummy import DummyClassifier, DummyRegressor
        17 from sklearn.impute import SimpleImputer
        18 from sklearn.model selection import cross val score, cross validate, tr
        19 from sklearn.neighbors import KNeighborsClassifier, KNeighborsRegressor
        20 from sklearn.pipeline import Pipeline, make pipeline
        21 from sklearn.preprocessing import OneHotEncoder, OrdinalEncoder, Standa
        22 from sklearn.svm import SVC
        23 from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
```

# **Learning outcomes**

From this lecture, you will be able to

- use ColumnTransformer to build all our transformations together into one object and use it with sklearn pipelines;
- define ColumnTransformer where transformers contain more than one steps;
- explain handle\_unknown="ignore" hyperparameter of scikit-learn 's OneHotEncoder;
- explain drop="if\_binary" argument of OneHotEncoder;
- identify when it's appropriate to apply ordinal encoding vs one-hot encoding;
- · explain strategies to deal with categorical variables with too many categories;
- explain why text data needs a different treatment than categorical variables;
- use scikit-learn's CountVectorizer to encode text data;
- explain different hyperparameters of CountVectorizer.

# sklearn's <u>ColumnTransformer (https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.compose.ColumnTransformer (https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.org/sklearn.</u>

- In most applications, some features are categorical, some are continuous, some are binary, and some are ordinal.
- When we want to develop supervised machine learning pipelines on real-world datasets, very often we want to apply different transformation on different columns.
- Enter sklearn 's ColumnTransformer!!
- · Let's look at a toy example:

1 df = pd.read\_csv("../data/quiz2-grade-toy-col-transformer.csv") In [2]:

Out[2]:

	enjoy_course	ml_experience	major	class_attendance	university_years	lab1	lab2	lab3 l
0	yes	1	Computer Science	Excellent	3	92	93.0	84
1	yes	1	Mechanical Engineering	Average	2	94	90.0	80
2	yes	0	Mathematics	Poor	3	78	85.0	83
3	no	0	Mathematics	Excellent	3	91	NaN	92
4	yes	0	Psychology	Good	4	77	83.0	90
5	no	1	Economics	Good	5	70	73.0	68
6	yes	1	Computer Science	Excellent	4	80	88.0	89
7	no	0	Mechanical Engineering	Poor	3	95	93.0	69
8	no	0	Linguistics	Average	2	97	90.0	94
9	yes	1	Mathematics	Average	4	95	82.0	94
10	yes	0	Psychology	Good	3	98	86.0	95
11	yes	1	Physics	Average	1	95	88.0	93
12	yes	1	Physics	Excellent	2	98	96.0	96
13	yes	0	Mechanical Engineering	Excellent	4	95	94.0	96
14	no	0	Mathematics	Poor	3	95	90.0	93
15	no	1	Computer Science	Good	3	92	85.0	67
16	yes	0	Computer Science	Average	5	75	91.0	93
17	yes	1	Economics	Average	3	86	89.0	65
18	no	1	Biology	Good	2	91	NaN	90
19	no	0	Psychology	Poor	2	77	94.0	87
20	yes	1	Linguistics	Excellent	4	96	92.0	92

```
1 df.info()
In [3]:
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 21 entries, 0 to 20
Data columns (total 11 columns):
```

#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
0	enjoy_course	21 non-null	object
1	ml_experience	21 non-null	int64
2	major	21 non-null	object
3	class_attendance	21 non-null	object
4	university_years	21 non-null	int64
5	lab1	21 non-null	int64
6	lab2	19 non-null	float64
7	lab3	21 non-null	int64
8	lab4	21 non-null	int64
9	quiz1	21 non-null	int64
10	quiz2	21 non-null	object
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dtypes: float64(1), int64(6), object(4)

memory usage: 1.9+ KB

## Transformations on the toy data

In [4]:

1 df.head()

#### Out[4]:

	enjoy_course	ml_experience	major	class_attendance	university_years	lab1	lab2	lab3	la
0	yes	1	Computer Science	Excellent	3	92	93.0	84	
1	yes	1	Mechanical Engineering	Average	2	94	90.0	80	
2	yes	0	Mathematics	Poor	3	78	85.0	83	
3	no	0	Mathematics	Excellent	3	91	NaN	92	
4	yes	0	Psychology	Good	4	77	83.0	90	

- Scaling on numeric features
- One-hot encoding on the categorical feature major and binary feature enjoy class
- Ordinal encoding on the ordinal feature class attendance
- Imputation on the lab2 feature
- None on the ml experience feature

#### ColumnTransformer example

#### Data

```
X = df.drop(columns=["quiz2"])
In [5]:
           y = df["quiz2"]
          3 X.columns
Out[5]: Index(['enjoy_course', 'ml_experience', 'major', 'class_attendance',
                'university_years', 'lab1', 'lab2', 'lab3', 'lab4', 'quiz1'],
              dtype='object')
```

#### Identify the transformations we want to apply

```
In [9]:
             X.head()
```

#### Out[9]: enjoy\_course ml\_experience major class\_attendance university\_years lab1 lab2 lab3 la Computer 0 yes Excellent 3 92 93.0 84 Science Mechanical 1 yes Average 2 94 90.0 80 Engineering 2 0 Mathematics Poor 3 78 85.0 83 yes 3 Mathematics Excellent

Psychology

0

3

Good

91

NaN

77 83.0

92

90

```
In [10]:
             numeric_feats = ["university_years", "lab1", "lab3", "lab4", "quiz1"]
          2
             categorical feats = ["major"] # apply one-hot encoding
             passthrough feats = ["ml experience"] # do not apply any transformatic
             drop feats = [
          5
                 "lab2",
                 "class attendance",
          6
          7
                 "enjoy course",
             ] # do not include these features in modeling
```

For simplicity, let's only focus on scaling and one-hot encoding first.

#### Create a column transformer

no

yes

 Each transformation is specified by a name, a transformer object, and the columns this transformer should be applied to.

```
In [7]:
            from sklearn.compose import ColumnTransformer
```

#### Convenient make column transformer syntax

- Similar to make\_pipeline syntax, there is convenient make\_column\_transformer syntax.
- The syntax automatically names each step based on its class.
- We'll be mostly using this syntax.

```
In [13]:
             from sklearn.compose import make column transformer
          1
           2
           3
             ct = make column transformer(
                 (StandardScaler(), numeric_feats), # scaling on numeric features
           4
           5
                 (OneHotEncoder(), categorical_feats), # OHE on categorical feature
                 ("passthrough", passthrough_feats), # no transformations on the bi
           6
           7
                 ("drop", drop_feats), # drop the drop features
           8
In [14]:
           1 ct
Out[14]: ColumnTransformer(transformers=[('standardscaler', StandardScaler(),
                                           ['university years', 'lab1', 'lab3', 'la
         b4',
                                            'quiz1']),
                                          ('onehotencoder', OneHotEncoder(), ['majo
         r']),
                                          ('passthrough', 'passthrough',
                                           ['ml experience']),
                                          ('drop', 'drop',
                                           ['lab2', 'class_attendance', 'enjoy_cour
         se'])])
```

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On GitHub, the HTML representation is unable to render, please try loading this page with nbviewer.org.

```
In [15]: 1 transformed = ct.fit_transform(X)
```

- When we fit\_transform, each transformer is applied to the specified columns and the result of the transformations are concatenated horizontally.
- A big advantage here is that we build all our transformations together into one object, and that way we're sure we do the same operations to all splits of the data.
- Otherwise we might, for example, do the OHE on both train and test but forget to scale the test data.

#### Let's examine the transformed data

In [16]: 1 type(transformed[:2])

Out[16]: numpy.ndarray

In [17]: 1 transformed

```
Out[17]: array([[-0.09345386, 0.3589134 , -0.21733442, 0.36269995, 0.84002795,
                  , 1. , 0. , 0. , 0.
              0.
                        0. , 0. , 1.
            [-1.07471942, 0.59082668, -0.61420598, -0.85597188, 0.71219761,
                                           0. , 0.
                        0. , 0. ,
              0.
                               , 0.
                     , 0.
                                           1.
                                                  ],
            [-0.09345386, -1.26447953, -0.31655231, -1.31297381, -0.69393613,
                        0. ,
                                           0. ,
              0.
                        0.
                                 0.
                                           0.
                                                  1,
            [-0.09345386,
                        0.24295676, 0.57640869, 0.36269995, 0.45653693,
                           , 0. , 0. ,
                        0.
              0.
              0.
                              , 0.
                                           0.
            [ 0.8878117 , -1.38043616, 0.37797291, 0.51503393, -0.05478443,
                        0. , 0. , 0. , 0.
            [ 1.86907725, -2.19213263, -1.80482065, -2.22697768, -1.84440919,
                                     , 0. , 0.
                        0.
                           , 1.
                                           1. ],
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                        0.
                                 0.27875502, -0.09430199, 0.71219761,
            [ 0.8878117 , -1.03256625,
                              , 0.
                                        , 1.
                                                  1,
            [-0.09345386, 0.70678332, -1.70560276, -1.46530779, -1.33308783,
                       0. ,
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                                           0. ,
              0.
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              1.
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            [-1.07471942,
                        0.93869659, 0.77484447, -1.00830586, -0.69393613,
              0.
                          , 0. , 1. ,
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                        0.70678332, 0.77484447, 0.81970188, -0.05478443,
            [ 0.8878117 ,
                                 0.
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                               , 0.
                       1.05465323, 0.87406235, 0.97203586, -0.94959681,
            [-0.09345386,
                                           0. , 0.
                                                   ],
            [-2.05598498,
                        0.70678332,
                                 0.67562658,
                                           0.51503393, -0.05478443,
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                                           1.
                       1.05465323, 0.97328024,
                                           1.58137177, 1.86267067,
            [-1.07471942]
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                        0.70678332, 0.97328024, 0.97203586, 1.86267067,
             0.8878117 ,
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            [-0.09345386, 0.70678332, 0.67562658, 0.97203586, -1.97223953,
                        0. , 0. , 0. ,
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                                           0.
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            [-0.09345386,
                        0.3589134 , -1.90403853 , 0.81970188 , 0.84002795 ,
                       1. , 0. ,
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            [1.86907725, -1.61234944, 0.67562658, -0.39896994, -0.05478443,
                 , 1. , 0. , 0. , 0.
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                                 0.
                                            0.
            [-0.09345386, -0.33682642, -2.10247431, -0.39896994, 0.20087625,
                        0. ,
                                 1. ,
                                           0. , 0.
                               , 0.
                                         , 1.
                        0.
                                                  ],
            [-1.07471942]
                        0.24295676.
                                 0.37797291, -0.09430199, -0.43827545,
                                                   ],
```

```
[-1.07471942, -1.38043616,
                            0.08031924, -1.16063983,
                                                        0.45653693,
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               0.
                                                     ],
[ 0.8878117 ,
              0.82273995,
                            0.57640869,
                                          1.12436984, 0.20087625,
 0.
               0.
                             0.
                                          1.
                                                        0.
 0.
               0.
                             0.
                                          1.
                                                     ]])
```

Note that the returned object is not a dataframe. So there are no c olumn names.

#### Viewing the transformed data as a dataframe

- How can we view our transformed data as a dataframe?
- · We are adding more columns.
- So the original columns won't directly map to the transformed data.
- · Let's create column names for the transformed data.

```
column names = (
In [18]:
           2
                  numeric feats
           3
                  + ct.named_transformers_["onehotencoder"].get_feature_names_out().t
           4
                  + passthrough feats
           5
              column names
Out[18]: ['university years',
           'lab1',
           'lab3',
           'lab4',
           'quiz1',
           'major Biology',
           'major Computer Science',
           'major Economics',
           'major Linguistics',
           'major Mathematics',
           'major Mechanical Engineering',
           'major Physics',
           'major Psychology',
           'ml experience']
In [19]:
           1 ct.named_transformers_
Out[19]: {'standardscaler': StandardScaler(),
           'onehotencoder': OneHotEncoder(),
           'passthrough': 'passthrough',
           'drop': 'drop'}
```

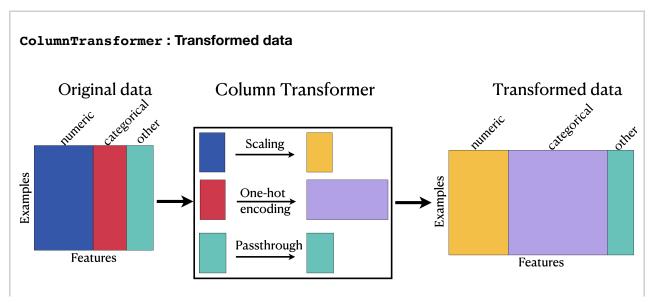
Note that the order of the columns in the transformed data depends upon the order of the features we pass to the `ColumnTransformer` a nd can be different than the order of the features in the original dataframe.

In [20]:

pd.DataFrame(transformed, columns=column\_names)

Out[20]:

	university_years	lab1	lab3	lab4	quiz1	major_Biology	major_Computer Science	ma
0	-0.093454	0.358913	-0.217334	0.362700	0.840028	0.0	1.0	
1	-1.074719	0.590827	-0.614206	-0.855972	0.712198	0.0	0.0	
2	-0.093454	-1.264480	-0.316552	-1.312974	-0.693936	0.0	0.0	
3	-0.093454	0.242957	0.576409	0.362700	0.456537	0.0	0.0	
4	0.887812	-1.380436	0.377973	0.515034	-0.054784	0.0	0.0	
5	1.869077	-2.192133	-1.804821	-2.226978	-1.844409	0.0	0.0	
6	0.887812	-1.032566	0.278755	-0.094302	0.712198	0.0	1.0	
7	-0.093454	0.706783	-1.705603	-1.465308	-1.333088	0.0	0.0	
8	-1.074719	0.938697	0.774844	-1.008306	-0.693936	0.0	0.0	
9	0.887812	0.706783	0.774844	0.819702	-0.054784	0.0	0.0	
10	-0.093454	1.054653	0.874062	0.972036	-0.949597	0.0	0.0	
11	-2.055985	0.706783	0.675627	0.515034	-0.054784	0.0	0.0	
12	-1.074719	1.054653	0.973280	1.581372	1.862671	0.0	0.0	
13	0.887812	0.706783	0.973280	0.972036	1.862671	0.0	0.0	
14	-0.093454	0.706783	0.675627	0.972036	-1.972240	0.0	0.0	
15	-0.093454	0.358913	-1.904039	0.819702	0.840028	0.0	1.0	
16	1.869077	-1.612349	0.675627	-0.398970	-0.054784	0.0	1.0	
17	-0.093454	-0.336826	-2.102474	-0.398970	0.200876	0.0	0.0	
18	-1.074719	0.242957	0.377973	-0.094302	-0.438275	1.0	0.0	
19	-1.074719	-1.380436	0.080319	-1.160640	0.456537	0.0	0.0	
20	0.887812	0.822740	0.576409	1.124370	0.200876	0.0	0.0	



Adapted from here. (https://amueller.github.io/COMS4995-s20/slides/aml-04-preprocessing/#37)

#### Training models with transformed data

We can now pass the ColumnTransformer object as a step in a pipeline.

'not A+', 'not A+', 'not A+', 'A+'], dtype=object)

# ? ? Questions for you

#### True/False: ColumnTransformer

- You could carry out cross-validation by passing a ColumnTransformer object to cross\_validate.
- 2. After applying column transformer, the order of the columns in the transformed data has to be the same as the order of the columns in the original data.
- 3. After applying a column transformer, the transformed data is always going to be of different shape than the original data.
- 4. When you call fit\_transform on a ColumnTransformer object, you get a numpy ndarray.

#### What transformations on what columns?

Consider the feature columns below.

What transformations would you apply on each column?

colour location		shape	water_content	weight	
red	canada	NaN	84	100	
yellow	mexico	long	75	120	
orange	spain	NaN	90	NaN	
magenta	china	round	NaN	600	
purple	austria	NaN	80	115	
purple	turkey	oval	78	340	
green	mexico	oval	83	NaN	

	colour	location	shape	water_content	weight
_	blue	canada	round	73	535

## More on feature transformations

# Multiple transformations in a transformer

• Recall that lab2 has missing values.

In [25]:

1 X.head(10)

Out[25]:

	enjoy_course	ml_experience	major	class_attendance	university_years	lab1	lab2	lab3	la
0	yes	1	Computer Science	Excellent	3	92	93.0	84	
1	yes	1	Mechanical Engineering	Average	2	94	90.0	80	
2	yes	0	Mathematics	Poor	3	78	85.0	83	
3	no	0	Mathematics	Excellent	3	91	NaN	92	
4	yes	0	Psychology	Good	4	77	83.0	90	
5	no	1	Economics	Good	5	70	73.0	68	
6	yes	1	Computer Science	Excellent	4	80	88.0	89	
7	no	0	Mechanical Engineering	Poor	3	95	93.0	69	
8	no	0	Linguistics	Average	2	97	90.0	94	
9	yes	1	Mathematics	Average	4	95	82.0	94	

- So we would like to apply more than one transformations on it: imputation and scaling.
- We can treat lab2 separately, but we can also include it into numeric\_feats and apply both transformations on all numeric columns.

```
In [26]:
           1
             numeric feats = [
                  "university years",
           2
           3
                  "lab1",
           4
                  "lab2",
           5
                  "lab3",
           6
                  "lab4",
           7
                  "quiz1",
             | # apply scaling
           8
             categorical_feats = ["major"] # apply one-hot encoding
          10 passthrough_feats = ["ml_experience"] # do not apply any transformation
             drop_feats = ["class_attendance", "enjoy_course"]
```

• To apply more than one transformations we can define a pipeline inside a column transformer to chain different transformations.

```
In [27]:
          1
             ct = make column transformer(
           2
          3
                     make pipeline(SimpleImputer(), StandardScaler()),
          4
                     numeric feats,
          5
                 ), # scaling on numeric features
          6
                 (OneHotEncoder(), categorical_feats), # OHE on categorical feature
           7
                 ("passthrough", passthrough_feats), # no transformations on the bi
                 ("drop", drop feats), # drop the drop features
          8
          9
```

```
In [28]: 1 X_transformed = ct.fit_transform(X)
```

In [30]:

pd.DataFrame(X\_transformed, columns=column\_names)

#### Out[30]:

	university_years	lab1	lab2	lab3	lab4	quiz1	major_Biology	major_Cor S
0	-0.093454	0.358913	0.893260	-0.217334	0.362700	0.840028	0.0	
1	-1.074719	0.590827	0.294251	-0.614206	-0.855972	0.712198	0.0	
2	-0.093454	-1.264480	-0.704099	-0.316552	-1.312974	-0.693936	0.0	
3	-0.093454	0.242957	0.000000	0.576409	0.362700	0.456537	0.0	
4	0.887812	-1.380436	-1.103439	0.377973	0.515034	-0.054784	0.0	
5	1.869077	-2.192133	-3.100139	-1.804821	-2.226978	-1.844409	0.0	
6	0.887812	-1.032566	-0.105089	0.278755	-0.094302	0.712198	0.0	
7	-0.093454	0.706783	0.893260	-1.705603	-1.465308	-1.333088	0.0	
8	-1.074719	0.938697	0.294251	0.774844	-1.008306	-0.693936	0.0	
9	0.887812	0.706783	-1.303109	0.774844	0.819702	-0.054784	0.0	
10	-0.093454	1.054653	-0.504429	0.874062	0.972036	-0.949597	0.0	
11	-2.055985	0.706783	-0.105089	0.675627	0.515034	-0.054784	0.0	
12	-1.074719	1.054653	1.492270	0.973280	1.581372	1.862671	0.0	
13	0.887812	0.706783	1.092930	0.973280	0.972036	1.862671	0.0	
14	-0.093454	0.706783	0.294251	0.675627	0.972036	-1.972240	0.0	
15	-0.093454	0.358913	-0.704099	-1.904039	0.819702	0.840028	0.0	
16	1.869077	-1.612349	0.493921	0.675627	-0.398970	-0.054784	0.0	
17	-0.093454	-0.336826	0.094581	-2.102474	-0.398970	0.200876	0.0	
18	-1.074719	0.242957	0.000000	0.377973	-0.094302	-0.438275	1.0	
19	-1.074719	-1.380436	1.092930	0.080319	-1.160640	0.456537	0.0	
20	0.887812	0.822740	0.693590	0.576409	1.124370	0.200876	0.0	

# sklearn set\_config

- With multiple transformations in a column transformer, it can get tricky to keep track of everything happening inside it.
- We can use set\_config to display a diagram of this.

```
In [31]:
           1
             from sklearn import set_config
           3 set_config(display="diagram")
In [32]:
           1 ct
Out[32]: ColumnTransformer(transformers=[('pipeline',
                                           Pipeline(steps=[('simpleimputer',
                                                             SimpleImputer()),
                                                            ('standardscaler',
                                                             StandardScaler())]),
                                           ['university_years', 'lab1', 'lab2', 'la
         b3',
                                             'lab4', 'quiz1']),
                                          ('onehotencoder', OneHotEncoder(), ['majo
         r']),
                                          ('passthrough', 'passthrough',
                                           ['ml_experience']),
                                          ('drop', 'drop',
                                           ['class_attendance', 'enjoy_course'])])
```

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```
In [33]:
           1 print(ct)
         ColumnTransformer(transformers=[('pipeline',
                                           Pipeline(steps=[('simpleimputer',
                                                             SimpleImputer()),
                                                            ('standardscaler',
                                                             StandardScaler())]),
                                           ['university_years', 'lab1', 'lab2', 'la
         b3',
                                             'lab4', 'quiz1']),
                                           ('onehotencoder', OneHotEncoder(), ['majo
         r']),
                                           ('passthrough', 'passthrough',
                                           ['ml_experience']),
                                          ('drop', 'drop',
                                            ['class_attendance', 'enjoy_course'])])
```

# Incorporating ordinal feature class attendance

• The class\_attendance column is different than the major column in that there is some ordering of the values.

Excellent > Good > Average > poor

```
In [34]: 1 X.head()
```

#### Out[34]:

	enjoy_course	ml_experience	major	class_attendance	university_years	lab1	lab2	lab3	la
0	yes	1	Computer Science	Excellent	3	92	93.0	84	
1	yes	1	Mechanical Engineering	Average	2	94	90.0	80	
2	yes	0	Mathematics	Poor	3	78	85.0	83	
3	no	0	Mathematics	Excellent	3	91	NaN	92	
4	yes	0	Psychology	Good	4	77	83.0	90	

Let's try applying OrdinalEncoder on this column.

In [37]: 1 pd.concat([X\_toy, df], axis=1).head(10)

#### Out[37]:

	class_attendance	class_attendance_enc
0	Excellent	1.0
1	Average	0.0
2	Poor	3.0
3	Excellent	1.0
4	Good	2.0
5	Good	2.0
6	Excellent	1.0
7	Poor	3.0
8	Average	0.0
9	Average	0.0

- What's the problem here?
  - The encoder doesn't know the order.
- We can examine unique categories manually, order them based on our intuitions, and then provide this human knowledge to the transformer.

```
What are the unique categories of class attendance?
```

```
In [38]: 1 X_toy["class_attendance"].unique()
```

Out[38]: array(['Excellent', 'Average', 'Poor', 'Good'], dtype=object)

Let's order them manually.

```
In [39]: 1 class_attendance_levels = ["Poor", "Average", "Good", "Excellent"]
```

Note that if you use the reverse order of the categories, it would  $\ensuremath{\text{n't}}$  matter.

Let's make sure that we have included all categories in our manual ordering.

```
In [40]: 1 assert set(class_attendance_levels) == set(X_toy["class_attendance"].un
```

[array(['Poor', 'Average', 'Good', 'Excellent'], dtype=object)]

#### Out[41]: class\_attendance\_class\_attendance\_enc

0	Excellent	3
1	Average	1
2	Poor	0
3	Excellent	3
4	Good	2
5	Good	2
6	Excellent	3
7	Poor	0
8	Average	1
9	Average	1

The encoded categories are looking better now!

#### More than one ordinal columns?

- We can pass the manually ordered categories when we create an OrdinalEncoder object as a list of lists.
- · If you have more than one ordinal columns
  - manually create a list of ordered categories for each column
  - pass a list of lists to OrdinalEncoder, where each inner list corresponds to manually created list of ordered categories for a corresponding ordinal column.

Now let's incorporate ordinal encoding of class attendance in our column transformer.

```
In [42]:
          1
             numeric_feats = [
           2
                 "university_years",
                 "lab1",
           3
                 "lab2",
           4
           5
                 "lab3",
                 "lab4",
           6
           7
                 "quiz1",
           8
             | # apply scaling
             categorical_feats = ["major"] # apply one-hot encoding
             ordinal feats = ["class attendance"] # apply ordinal encoding
             passthrough feats = ["ml experience"] # do not apply any transformatic
          11
          12
             drop feats = ["enjoy course"] # do not include these features
```

```
In [43]:
          1
             ct = make column transformer(
           2
                 (
           3
                     make pipeline(SimpleImputer(), StandardScaler()),
           4
                     numeric feats,
           5
                 ), # scaling on numeric features
           6
                 (OneHotEncoder(), categorical feats), # OHE on categorical feature
           7
                     OrdinalEncoder(categories=[class attendance levels], dtype=int)
           8
           9
                     ordinal feats,
                 ), # Ordinal encoding on ordinal features
          10
                  ("passthrough", passthrough feats), # no transformations on the bi
          11
                 ("drop", drop feats), # drop the drop features
          12
          13
```

```
In [44]:
             ct
Out[44]: ColumnTransformer(transformers=[('pipeline',
                                           Pipeline(steps=[('simpleimputer',
                                                             SimpleImputer()),
                                                            ('standardscaler',
                                                             StandardScaler())]),
                                           ['university years', 'lab1', 'lab2', 'la
         b3',
                                             'lab4', 'quiz1']),
                                           ('onehotencoder', OneHotEncoder(), ['majo
         r']),
                                           ('ordinalencoder',
                                           OrdinalEncoder(categories=[['Poor', 'Ave
         rage',
                                                                         'Good',
                                                                         'Excellen
         t']],
                                                           dtype=<class 'int'>),
                                           ['class_attendance']),
                                           ('passthrough', 'passthrough',
                                           ['ml_experience']),
                                           ('drop', 'drop', ['enjoy_course'])])
```

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```
In [45]: 1 X_transformed = ct.fit_transform(X)
```

```
In [46]:
             column_names = (
           1
           2
                  numeric_feats
           3
                  + ct.named_transformers_["onehotencoder"].get_feature_names_out().t
           4
                  + ordinal_feats
           5
                  + passthrough_feats
           6
           7
             column names
Out[46]: ['university_years',
           'lab1',
           'lab2',
           'lab3',
           'lab4',
           'quiz1',
           'major_Biology',
           'major_Computer Science',
           'major_Economics',
           'major_Linguistics',
           'major Mathematics',
           'major_Mechanical Engineering',
           'major_Physics',
           'major_Psychology',
           'class_attendance',
           'ml_experience']
```

In [47]:

pd.DataFrame(X\_transformed, columns=column\_names)

Out[47]:

	university_years	lab1	lab2	lab3	lab4	quiz1	major_Biology	major_Cor S
0	-0.093454	0.358913	0.893260	-0.217334	0.362700	0.840028	0.0	_
1	-1.074719	0.590827	0.294251	-0.614206	-0.855972	0.712198	0.0	
2	-0.093454	-1.264480	-0.704099	-0.316552	-1.312974	-0.693936	0.0	
3	-0.093454	0.242957	0.000000	0.576409	0.362700	0.456537	0.0	
4	0.887812	-1.380436	-1.103439	0.377973	0.515034	-0.054784	0.0	
5	1.869077	-2.192133	-3.100139	-1.804821	-2.226978	-1.844409	0.0	
6	0.887812	-1.032566	-0.105089	0.278755	-0.094302	0.712198	0.0	
7	-0.093454	0.706783	0.893260	-1.705603	-1.465308	-1.333088	0.0	
8	-1.074719	0.938697	0.294251	0.774844	-1.008306	-0.693936	0.0	
9	0.887812	0.706783	-1.303109	0.774844	0.819702	-0.054784	0.0	
10	-0.093454	1.054653	-0.504429	0.874062	0.972036	-0.949597	0.0	
11	-2.055985	0.706783	-0.105089	0.675627	0.515034	-0.054784	0.0	
12	-1.074719	1.054653	1.492270	0.973280	1.581372	1.862671	0.0	
13	0.887812	0.706783	1.092930	0.973280	0.972036	1.862671	0.0	
14	-0.093454	0.706783	0.294251	0.675627	0.972036	-1.972240	0.0	
15	-0.093454	0.358913	-0.704099	-1.904039	0.819702	0.840028	0.0	
16	1.869077	-1.612349	0.493921	0.675627	-0.398970	-0.054784	0.0	
17	-0.093454	-0.336826	0.094581	-2.102474	-0.398970	0.200876	0.0	
18	-1.074719	0.242957	0.000000	0.377973	-0.094302	-0.438275	1.0	
19	-1.074719	-1.380436	1.092930	0.080319	-1.160640	0.456537	0.0	
20	0.887812	0.822740	0.693590	0.576409	1.124370	0.200876	0.0	

# **Dealing with unknown categories**

Let's create a pipeline with the column transformer and pass it to <code>cross\_validate</code> .

In [48]: 1 pipe = make\_pipeline(ct, SVC())

```
In [49]: 1 scores = cross_validate(pipe, X, y, return_train_score=True)
2 pd.DataFrame(scores)
```

```
/Users/mathias/miniconda3/envs/cpsc330/lib/python3.10/site-packages/sklea
rn/model_selection/_validation.py:776: UserWarning: Scoring failed. The s
core on this train-test partition for these parameters will be set to na
n. Details:
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "/Users/mathias/miniconda3/envs/cpsc330/lib/python3.10/site-packag
es/sklearn/model_selection/_validation.py", line 767, in _score
    scores = scorer(estimator, X_test, y_test)
  File "/Users/mathias/miniconda3/envs/cpsc330/lib/python3.10/site-packag
es/sklearn/metrics/ scorer.py", line 429, in passthrough scorer
    return estimator.score(*args, **kwargs)
  File "/Users/mathias/miniconda3/envs/cpsc330/lib/python3.10/site-packag
es/sklearn/pipeline.py", line 695, in score
    Xt = transform.transform(Xt)
  File "/Users/mathias/miniconda3/envs/cpsc330/lib/python3.10/site-packag
es/sklearn/compose/_column_transformer.py", line 763, in transform
    Xs = self. fit transform(
  File "/Users/mathias/miniconda3/envs/cpsc330/lib/python3.10/site-packag
es/sklearn/compose/_column_transformer.py", line 621, in _fit_transform
    return Parallel(n jobs=self.n jobs)(
  File "/Users/mathias/miniconda3/envs/cpsc330/lib/python3.10/site-packag
es/joblib/parallel.py", line 1051, in __call__
    while self.dispatch one batch(iterator):
  File "/Users/mathias/miniconda3/envs/cpsc330/lib/python3.10/site-packag
es/joblib/parallel.py", line 864, in dispatch_one_batch
    self._dispatch(tasks)
  File "/Users/mathias/miniconda3/envs/cpsc330/lib/python3.10/site-packag
es/joblib/parallel.py", line 782, in _dispatch
    job = self. backend.apply async(batch, callback=cb)
 File "/Users/mathias/miniconda3/envs/cpsc330/lib/python3.10/site-packag
es/joblib/_parallel_backends.py", line 208, in apply_async
    result = ImmediateResult(func)
  File "/Users/mathias/miniconda3/envs/cpsc330/lib/python3.10/site-packag
es/joblib/ parallel backends.py", line 572, in init
    self.results = batch()
  File "/Users/mathias/miniconda3/envs/cpsc330/lib/python3.10/site-packag
es/joblib/parallel.py", line 263, in __call__
    return [func(*args, **kwargs)
  File "/Users/mathias/miniconda3/envs/cpsc330/lib/python3.10/site-packag
es/joblib/parallel.py", line 263, in <listcomp>
    return [func(*args, **kwargs)
  File "/Users/mathias/miniconda3/envs/cpsc330/lib/python3.10/site-packag
es/sklearn/utils/fixes.py", line 117, in __call__
    return self.function(*args, **kwargs)
  File "/Users/mathias/miniconda3/envs/cpsc330/lib/python3.10/site-packag
es/sklearn/pipeline.py", line 853, in transform one
    res = transformer.transform(X)
  File "/Users/mathias/miniconda3/envs/cpsc330/lib/python3.10/site-packag
es/sklearn/preprocessing/_encoders.py", line 882, in transform
    X_int, X_mask = self._transform(
  File "/Users/mathias/miniconda3/envs/cpsc330/lib/python3.10/site-packag
es/sklearn/preprocessing/ encoders.py", line 160, in transform
    raise ValueError(msg)
ValueError: Found unknown categories ['Biology'] in column 0 during trans
form
```

#### warnings.warn(

#### Out[49]:

	fit_time	score_time	test_score	train_score
0	0.013106	0.006488	1.00	0.937500
1	0.010220	0.005606	1.00	0.941176
2	0.008559	0.005460	0.50	1.000000
3	0.007937	0.004804	0.75	0.941176
4	0.008821	0.024068	NaN	1.000000

- What's going on here??
- Let's look at the error message: ValueError: Found unknown categories ['Biology'] in column 0 during transform

#### In [50]:

```
1 X["major"].value_counts()
```

```
Out[50]: Computer Science
                                     4
         Mathematics
                                     4
         Mechanical Engineering
                                     3
         Psychology
         Economics
                                     2
                                     2
         Linguistics
         Physics
                                     2
         Biology
         Name: major, dtype: int64
```

- There is only one instance of Biology.
- During cross-validation, this is getting put into the validation split.
- By default, OneHotEncoder throws an error because you might want to know about this.

#### Simplest fix:

- Pass handle unknown="ignore" argument to OneHotEncoder
- · It creates a row with all zeros.

```
In [51]:
           1
             ct = make_column_transformer(
           2
                      make_pipeline(SimpleImputer(), StandardScaler()),
           3
           4
                      numeric feats,
           5
                      # scaling on numeric features
                  ),
           6
           7
                      OneHotEncoder(handle_unknown="ignore"),
                      categorical feats,
           8
           9
                      # OHE on categorical features
          10
          11
                      OrdinalEncoder(categories=[class attendance levels], dtype=int)
          12
                      ordinal feats,
                  ), # Ordinal encoding on ordinal features
          13
                  ("passthrough", passthrough_feats), # no transformations on the bi
          14
          15
                  ("drop", drop feats), # drop the drop features
          16
In [52]:
           1
             ct
Out[52]: ColumnTransformer(transformers=[('pipeline',
                                            Pipeline(steps=[('simpleimputer',
                                                             SimpleImputer()),
                                                            ('standardscaler',
                                                             StandardScaler())]),
                                            ['university years', 'lab1', 'lab2', 'la
         b3',
                                             'lab4', 'quiz1']),
                                           ('onehotencoder',
                                            OneHotEncoder(handle unknown='ignore'),
                                            ['major']),
                                           ('ordinalencoder',
                                            OrdinalEncoder(categories=[['Poor', 'Ave
         rage',
                                                                         'Good',
                                                                         'Excellen
         t']],
                                                           dtype=<class 'int'>),
                                            ['class attendance']),
                                           ('passthrough', 'passthrough',
                                            ['ml_experience']),
                                           ('drop', 'drop', ['enjoy course'])])
```

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```
In [53]: 1 pipe = make_pipeline(ct, SVC())
```

```
In [54]:
```

scores = cross\_validate(pipe, X, y, cv=5, return\_train\_score=True)
pd.DataFrame(scores)

#### Out[54]:

	fit_time	score_time	test_score	train_score
0	0.010619	0.006246	1.00	0.937500
1	0.011235	0.005561	1.00	0.941176
2	0.009199	0.005520	0.50	1.000000
3	0.009306	0.005152	0.75	0.941176
4	0.008154	0.004914	0.75	1.000000

• With this approach, all unknown categories will be represented with all zeros and cross-validation is running OK now.

Ask yourself the following questions when you work with categorical variables

- · Do you want this behaviour?
- Are you expecting to get many unknown categories? Do you want to be able to distinguish between them?

#### Cases where it's OK to break the golden rule

 If it's some fix number of categories. For example, if it's something like provinces in Canada or majors taught at UBC. We know the categories in advance and this is one of the cases where it might be OK to violate the golden rule and get a list of all possible values for the categorical variable.

# Categorical features with only two possible categories

- Sometimes you have features with only two possible categories.
- If we apply OheHotEncoder on such columns, it'll create two columns, which seems wasteful, as we could represent all information in the column in just one column with say 0's and 1's with presence of absence of one of one of the categories.
- You can pass drop="if\_binary" argument to OneHotEncoder in order to create only one column in such scenario.

```
1 X["enjoy course"].head()
In [55]:
Out[55]: 0
               yes
          1
               yes
          2
               yes
          3
                no
          4
               yes
          Name: enjoy_course, dtype: object
In [56]:
              ohe enc = OneHotEncoder(drop="if_binary", dtype=int, sparse=False)
              ohe_enc.fit(X[["enjoy_course"]])
             transformed = ohe_enc.transform(X[["enjoy_course"]])
              df = pd.DataFrame(data=transformed, columns=["enjoy course enc"], index
              pd.concat([X[["enjoy course"]], df], axis=1).head(10)
Out[56]:
             enjoy_course enjoy_course_enc
          0
                                    1
                    yes
          1
                    yes
          2
                    yes
          3
                                    0
                    no
                    yes
          5
                                    0
                     no
          6
                    yes
                                    1
          7
                                    0
                     no
          8
                                    0
                     no
          9
                                    1
                    yes
In [57]:
           1
              numeric feats = [
           2
                  "university_years",
           3
                  "lab1",
                  "lab2",
           4
                  "lab3",
           5
                  "lab4",
           6
           7
                  "quiz1",
                 # apply scaling
              categorical feats = ["major"] # apply one-hot encoding
              ordinal_feats = ["class_attendance"] # apply ordinal encoding
             binary feats = ["enjoy course"] # apply one-hot encoding with drop="if
              passthrough feats = ["ml experience"] # do not apply any transformatic
          12
          13 drop feats = []
```

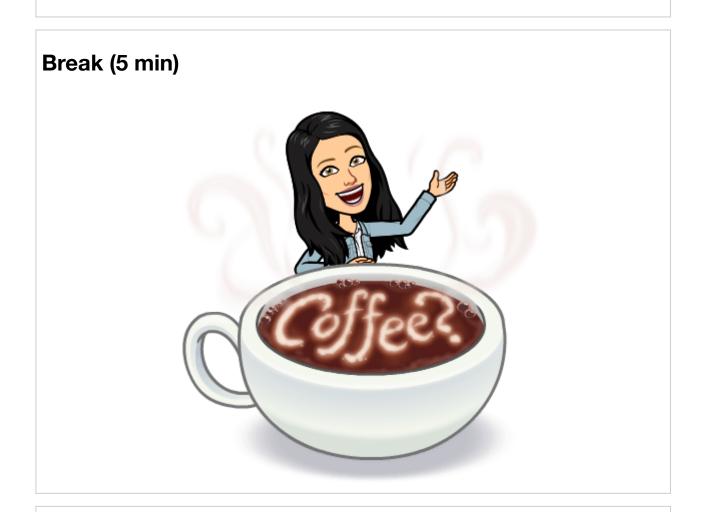
```
ct = make_column_transformer(
In [59]:
           1
           2
           3
                     make pipeline(SimpleImputer(), StandardScaler()),
           4
                     numeric_feats,
           5
                     # scaling on numeric features
                  ),
           6
           7
                      OneHotEncoder(handle_unknown="ignore"),
           8
                      categorical feats,
           9
                     # OHE on categorical features
          10
                      OrdinalEncoder(categories=[class_attendance_levels], dtype=int)
          11
          12
                      ordinal_feats,
                     # Ordinal encoding on ordinal features
          13
                  ),
          14
                      OneHotEncoder(drop="if binary", dtype=int),
          15
          16
                      binary_feats,
                  ), # OHE on categorical features
          17
                  ("passthrough", passthrough_feats), # no transformations on the bi
          18
          19
```

```
In [60]:
             ct
Out[60]: ColumnTransformer(transformers=[('pipeline',
                                            Pipeline(steps=[('simpleimputer',
                                                             SimpleImputer()),
                                                            ('standardscaler',
                                                             StandardScaler())]),
                                            ['university_years', 'lab1', 'lab2', 'la
         b3',
                                             'lab4', 'quiz1']),
                                           ('onehotencoder-1',
                                            OneHotEncoder(handle_unknown='ignore'),
                                            ['major']),
                                           ('ordinalencoder',
                                            OrdinalEncoder(categories=[['Poor', 'Ave
         rage',
                                                                         'Good',
                                                                         'Excellen
         t']],
                                                           dtype=<class 'int'>),
                                            ['class_attendance']),
                                           ('onehotencoder-2',
                                            OneHotEncoder(drop='if_binary',
                                                          dtype=<class 'int'>),
                                            ['enjoy course']),
                                           ('passthrough', 'passthrough',
                                            ['ml_experience'])])
```

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```
In [61]:
               pipe = make pipeline(ct, SVC())
               scores = cross validate(pipe, X, y, cv=5, return train score=True)
In [62]:
               pd.DataFrame(scores)
Out[62]:
               fit time score time test score train score
            0 0.013232
                         0.008059
                                       1.00
                                              1.000000
            1 0.011555
                         0.006521
                                       1.00
                                              0.941176
            2 0.010359
                         0.006901
                                       0.50
                                              1.000000
            3 0.010653
                         0.006728
                                       1.00
                                              0.941176
            4 0.009934
                         0.006208
                                       0.75
                                              1.000000
```

Do not read too much into the scores, as we are running cross-valid ation on a very small dataset with 21 examples. The main point here is to show you how can we use `ColumnTransformer` to apply different transformations on different columns.



# ColumnTransformer on the California housing dataset

#### Out[63]:

	longitude	latitude	housing_median_age	total_rooms	total_bedrooms	population	households
6051	-117.75	34.04	22.0	2948.0	636.0	2600.0	602.0
20113	-119.57	37.94	17.0	346.0	130.0	51.0	20.0
14289	-117.13	32.74	46.0	3355.0	768.0	1457.0	708.0
13665	-117.31	34.02	18.0	1634.0	274.0	899.0	285.(
14471	-117.23	32.88	18.0	5566.0	1465.0	6303.0	1458.0

Some column values are mean/median but some are not.

Let's add some new features to the dataset which could help predicting the target: median\_house\_value .

```
In [64]:
             train df = train df.assign(
           1
           2
                 rooms per household=train df["total rooms"] / train df["households"
           3
           4
             test df = test df.assign(
                 rooms per household=test df["total rooms"] / test df["households"]
           5
           6
           7
             train df = train df.assign(
           8
           9
                 bedrooms per household=train df["total bedrooms"] / train df["house
          10
          11
             test df = test df.assign(
          12
                 bedrooms per household=test df["total bedrooms"] / test df["household"]
          13
          14
          15
             train df = train df.assign(
                 population per household=train df["population"] / train df["househo
          16
          17
          18
             test df = test df.assign(
                 population per household=test df["population"] / test df["household
          19
          20
```

```
In [65]:
                train_df.head()
Out[65]:
                   longitude latitude housing_median_age total_rooms total_bedrooms population households
                    -117.75
                              34.04
                                                            2948.0
                                                                            636.0
                                                                                      2600.0
                                                                                                  602.0
             6051
                                                   22.0
            20113
                    -119.57
                              37.94
                                                   17.0
                                                             346.0
                                                                            130.0
                                                                                        51.0
                                                                                                   20.0
            14289
                    -117.13
                              32.74
                                                   46.0
                                                            3355.0
                                                                            768.0
                                                                                      1457.0
                                                                                                  708.0
                    -117.31
                              34.02
                                                   18.0
                                                            1634.0
                                                                            274.0
                                                                                       899.0
                                                                                                  285.0
            13665
            14471
                    -117.23
                              32.88
                                                   18.0
                                                            5566.0
                                                                           1465.0
                                                                                      6303.0
                                                                                                 1458.0
In [66]:
                # Let's keep both numeric and categorical columns in the data.
             1
                X_train = train_df.drop(columns=["median_house_value"])
             3
                y train = train df["median house value"]
             4
             5
                X test = test_df.drop(columns=["median house_value"])
                y test = test df["median house value"]
In [67]:
             1
                from sklearn.compose import ColumnTransformer, make_column_transformer
In [68]:
                X train.head(10)
Out[68]:
                   longitude latitude housing median age total rooms total bedrooms population households
             6051
                    -117.75
                              34.04
                                                   22.0
                                                            2948.0
                                                                            636.0
                                                                                      2600.0
                                                                                                  602.0
            20113
                    -119.57
                              37.94
                                                   17.0
                                                             346.0
                                                                            130.0
                                                                                        51.0
                                                                                                   20.0
                    -117.13
                              32.74
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                                                            3355.0
                                                                            768.0
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                                                                                                  708.0
            14289
                    -117.31
                              34.02
                                                   18.0
                                                            1634.0
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                                                                                       899.0
                                                                                                  285.0
            13665
                    -117.23
                              32.88
                                                   18.0
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            14471
                    -121.74
                              36.79
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                                                            3841.0
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                                                                                                  611.0
             9730
            14690
                    -117.09
                              32.80
                                                   36.0
                                                            2163.0
                                                                            367.0
                                                                                       915.0
                                                                                                  360.0
                    -118.11
                              33.86
                                                   33.0
                                                            2389.0
                                                                            410.0
                                                                                      1229.0
                                                                                                  393.0
             7938
                    -122.12
                              37.28
                                                  21.0
                                                             349.0
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            18365
            10931
                    -117.91
                              33.74
                                                   25.0
                                                            4273.0
                                                                            965.0
                                                                                      2946.0
                                                                                                  922.0
In [69]:
             1 X train.columns
Out[69]: Index(['longitude', 'latitude', 'housing_median_age', 'total_rooms',
                    'total_bedrooms', 'population', 'households', 'median_income',
                    'ocean proximity', 'rooms per household', 'bedrooms per househol
           d',
                    'population per household'],
                   dtype='object')
```

```
# Identify the categorical and numeric columns
In [70]:
           1
           2
             numeric features = [
           3
                 "longitude",
           4
                 "latitude",
           5
                 "housing median age",
           6
                 "total rooms",
           7
                 "total bedrooms",
                 "population",
           8
           9
                 "households",
                 "median_income",
          10
          11
                 "rooms per household",
                 "bedrooms per household",
          12
          13
                 "population_per_household",
          14
          15
          16
             categorical_features = ["ocean_proximity"]
          17
             target = "median_income"
           • Let's create a ColumnTransformer for our dataset.
In [71]:
           1 X_train.info()
         <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
         Int64Index: 18576 entries, 6051 to 19966
         Data columns (total 12 columns):
          #
              Column
                                         Non-Null Count Dtype
              _____
         ___
                                         _____
          0
             longitude
                                         18576 non-null float64
          1
              latitude
                                         18576 non-null float64
          2
             housing median age
                                         18576 non-null float64
              total rooms
                                         18576 non-null float64
          3
          4
              total bedrooms
                                         18391 non-null float64
              population
                                         18576 non-null float64
                                         18576 non-null float64
          6
              households
          7
              median income
                                         18576 non-null float64
                                         18576 non-null object
              ocean proximity
          8
          9
              rooms per household
                                         18576 non-null float64
          10 bedrooms per household
                                         18391 non-null float64
              population_per_household 18576 non-null float64
         dtypes: float64(11), object(1)
         memory usage: 1.8+ MB
           1 X train["ocean_proximity"].value_counts()
In [72]:
Out[72]: <1H OCEAN
                       8221
         INLAND
                       5915
         NEAR OCEAN
                       2389
```

2046

Name: ocean proximity, dtype: int64

NEAR BAY

ISLAND

```
numeric transformer = make pipeline(SimpleImputer(strategy="median"), S
In [73]:
             categorical transformer = OneHotEncoder(handle unknown="ignore")
           2
           3
           4
             preprocessor = make_column_transformer(
                  (numeric_transformer, numeric_features),
           6
                  (categorical transformer, categorical features),
           7
In [74]:
             preprocessor
Out[74]: ColumnTransformer(transformers=[('pipeline',
                                           Pipeline(steps=[('simpleimputer',
                                                             SimpleImputer(strategy
         ='median')),
                                                            ('standardscaler',
                                                             StandardScaler())]),
                                            ['longitude', 'latitude', 'housing media
         n age',
                                             'total_rooms', 'total_bedrooms', 'popul
         ation',
                                             'households', 'median_income',
                                             'rooms per household',
                                             'bedrooms per household',
                                             'population_per_household']),
                                           ('onehotencoder',
                                           OneHotEncoder(handle unknown='ignore'),
                                           ['ocean_proximity'])])
```

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```
In [75]: 1 X_train_pp = preprocessor.fit_transform(X_train)
```

- When we fit the preprocessor, it calls fit on all the transformers
- When we transform the preprocessor, it calls transform on all the transformers.

We can get the new names of the columns that were generated by the one-hot encoding:

```
In [76]:
             preprocessor
Out[76]: ColumnTransformer(transformers=[('pipeline',
                                           Pipeline(steps=[('simpleimputer',
                                                             SimpleImputer(strategy
         ='median')),
                                                            ('standardscaler',
                                                             StandardScaler())]),
                                            ['longitude', 'latitude', 'housing_media
         n age',
                                             'total rooms', 'total bedrooms', 'popul
         ation',
                                             'households', 'median income',
                                             'rooms per household',
                                             'bedrooms per household',
                                             'population_per_household']),
                                           ('onehotencoder',
                                            OneHotEncoder(handle unknown='ignore'),
                                            ['ocean_proximity'])])
```

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Combining this with the numeric feature names gives us all the column names:

```
column_names = numeric_features + list(
In [78]:
           1
           2
                  preprocessor.named_transformers_["onehotencoder"].get_feature_names
           3
                      categorical_features
           4
           5
              )
              column_names
Out[78]: ['longitude',
           'latitude',
           'housing median age',
           'total_rooms',
           'total_bedrooms',
           'population',
           'households',
           'median_income',
           'rooms per household',
           'bedrooms_per_household',
           'population_per_household',
           'ocean proximity <1H OCEAN',
           'ocean_proximity_INLAND',
           'ocean proximity ISLAND',
           'ocean_proximity_NEAR_BAY',
           'ocean proximity NEAR OCEAN']
```

Let's visualize the preprocessed training data as a dataframe.

In [79]: 1 pd.DataFrame(X\_train\_pp, columns=column\_names)

#### Out[79]:

	longitude	latitude	housing_median_age	total_rooms	total_bedrooms	population	househo
0	0.908140	-0.743917	-0.526078	0.143120	0.235339	1.026092	0.2661
1	-0.002057	1.083123	-0.923283	-1.049510	-0.969959	-1.206672	-1.2533
2	1.218207	-1.352930	1.380504	0.329670	0.549764	0.024896	0.5428
3	1.128188	-0.753286	-0.843842	-0.459154	-0.626949	-0.463877	-0.5614
4	1.168196	-1.287344	-0.843842	1.343085	2.210026	4.269688	2.5009
18571	0.733102	-0.804818	0.586095	-0.875337	-0.243446	-0.822136	-0.9661
18572	1.163195	-1.057793	-1.161606	0.940194	0.609314	0.882438	0.7282
18573	-1.097293	0.797355	-1.876574	0.695434	0.433046	0.881563	0.5141
18574	-1.437367	1.008167	1.221622	-0.499947	-0.484029	-0.759944	-0.4544
18575	0.242996	0.272667	-0.684960	-0.332190	-0.353018	-0.164307	-0.3969

18576 rows × 16 columns

```
In [82]:
             knn pipe
Out[82]: Pipeline(steps=[('columntransformer',
                           ColumnTransformer(transformers=[('pipeline',
                                                              Pipeline(steps=[('simpl
         eimputer',
                                                                               Simple
         Imputer(strategy='median')),
                                                                               ('stand
         ardscaler',
                                                                               Standa
         rdScaler())]),
                                                              ['longitude', 'latitud
         e',
                                                               'housing median age',
                                                               'total rooms',
                                                               'total bedrooms',
                                                               'population', 'househo
         lds',
                                                               'median income',
                                                               'rooms per household',
                                                               'bedrooms per househol
         d',
                                                               'population per househ
         old']),
                                                             ('onehotencoder',
                                                              OneHotEncoder(handle un
         known='ignore'),
                                                              ['ocean proximit
         y'])])),
                          ('kneighborsregressor', KNeighborsRegressor())])
```

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In [86]: 1 pd.DataFrame(results\_dict).T

Out[86]:

	fit_time	score_time	test_score	train_score
dummy	0.002 (+/- 0.001)	0.000 (+/- 0.000)	-0.001 (+/- 0.001)	0.000 (+/- 0.000)
imp + scaling + ohe + KNN	0.029 (+/- 0.005)	0.087 (+/- 0.074)	0.721 (+/- 0.012)	0.816 (+/- 0.006)
imp + scaling + ohe + SVR (default)	10.170 (+/- 0.184)	4.659 (+/- 0.107)	-0.049 (+/- 0.012)	-0.049 (+/- 0.001)

The results with scikit-learn 's default SVR hyperparameters are pretty bad (negative  $R^2$ , worse than predicting the mean!).

#### What should we try for hyper-parameters?

In [88]: 1 pd.DataFrame(results\_dict).T

Out[88]:

	fit_time	score_time	test_score	train_score
dummy	0.002 (+/- 0.001)	0.000 (+/- 0.000)	-0.001 (+/- 0.001)	0.000 (+/- 0.000)
imp + scaling + ohe + KNN	0.029 (+/- 0.005)	0.087 (+/- 0.074)	0.721 (+/- 0.012)	0.816 (+/- 0.006)
imp + scaling + ohe + SVR (default)	10.170 (+/- 0.184)	4.659 (+/- 0.107)	-0.049 (+/- 0.012)	-0.049 (+/- 0.001)
imp + scaling + ohe + SVR (C=10000)	9.368 (+/- 0.159)	4.685 (+/- 0.171)	0.721 (+/- 0.007)	0.726 (+/- 0.007)

With a bigger value for C the results are much better. We need to carry out systematic hyperparameter optimization to get better results. (Coming up next week.)

 Note that categorical features are different than free text features. Sometimes there are columns containing free text information and we we'll look at ways to deal with them in the later part of this lecture.

### **OHE** with many categories

- Do we have enough data for rare categories to learn anything meaningful?
- · How about grouping them into bigger categories?
  - Example: country names into continents such as "South America" or "Asia"
- Or having "other" category for rare cases?

### Do we actually want to use certain features for prediction?

- Do you want to use certain features such as **gender** or **race** in prediction?
- Remember that the systems you build are going to be used in some applications.
- It's extremely important to be mindful of the consequences of including certain features in your predictive model.

### Preprocessing the targets?

- Generally no need for this when doing classification.
- In regression it makes sense in some cases. More on this later.
- sklearn is fine with categorical labels (*y*-values) for classification problems.

## ? ? Questions for you

#### **True/False: Categorical features**

- 1. handle unknown="ignore" would treat all unknown categories equally.
- 2. Creating groups of rarely occurring categories might overfit the model.

# **Encoding text data**

```
In [90]:
           1
              toy_spam = [
           2
                  ſ
           3
                      "URGENT!! As a valued network customer you have been selected t
           4
                      "spam",
           5
                  ["Lol you are always so convincing.", "non spam"],
           6
           7
                  ["Nah I don't think he goes to usf, he lives around here though",
           8
                      "URGENT! You have won a 1 week FREE membership in our £100000 p
           9
                      "spam",
          10
          11
                  ],
          12
                  ſ
                      "Had your mobile 11 months or more? U R entitled to Update to t
          13
                      "spam",
          14
          15
                  ["Congrats! I can't wait to see you!!", "non spam"],
          16
          17
              toy_df = pd.DataFrame(toy_spam, columns=["sms", "target"])
          18
```

### Spam/non spam toy example

- What if the feature is in the form of raw text?
- The feature sms below is neither categorical nor ordinal.
- How can we encode it so that we can pass it to the machine learning algorithms we have seen so far?

```
In [91]: 1 toy_df
Out[91]: sms target
```

target	sms	•
spam	URGENT!! As a valued network customer you have been selected to receive a £900 prize reward!	0
non spam	Lol you are always so convincing.	1
non spam	Nah I don't think he goes to usf, he lives around here though	2
spam	URGENT! You have won a 1 week FREE membership in our £100000 prize Jackpot!	3
spam	Had your mobile 11 months or more? U R entitled to Update to the latest colour mobiles with camera for Free! Call The Mobile Update Co FREE on 08002986030	4
non spam	Congrats! I can't wait to see you!!	5

### What if we apply OHE?

```
In [92]: 1 ### DO NOT DO THIS.
2 enc = OneHotEncoder(sparse=False)
3 transformed = enc.fit_transform(toy_df[["sms"]])
4 pd.DataFrame(transformed, columns=enc.categories_)
```

#### Out[92]:

	Congrats! I can't wait to see you!!	Had your mobile 11 months or more? U R entitled to Update to the latest colour mobiles with camera for Free! Call The Mobile Update Co FREE on 08002986030	Lol you are always so convincing.	Nah I don't think he goes to usf, he lives around here though	URGENT! You have won a 1 week FREE membership in our £100000 prize Jackpot!	URGENT!! As a valued network customer you have been selected to receive a £900 prize reward!
0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0
1	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0
4	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

- We do not have a fixed number of categories here.
- Each "category" (feature value) is likely to occur only once in the training data and we won't learn anything meaningful if we apply one-hot encoding or ordinal encoding on this feature.
- How can we encode or represent raw text data into fixed number of features so that we can learn some useful patterns from it?
- This is a well studied problem in the field of Natural Language Processing (NLP), which is concerned with giving computers the ability to understand written and spoken language.
- Some popular representations of raw text include:
  - Bag of words
  - TF-IDF
  - Embedding representations

## Bag of words (BOW) representation

- One of the most popular representation of raw text
- · Ignores the syntax and word order
- It has two components:
  - The vocabulary (all unique words in all documents)
  - A value indicating either the presence or absence or the count of each word in the document.



### Extracting BOW features using scikit-learn

- CountVectorizer
  - Converts a collection of text documents to a matrix of word counts.
  - Each row represents a "document" (e.g., a text message in our example).
  - Each column represents a word in the vocabulary (the set of unique words) in the training data.
  - Each cell represents how often the word occurs in the document.

In the Natural Language Processing (NLP) community text data is referred to as a **corpus** (plural: corpora).

08002986030 100000 11 900 always are around as been call ... update urgen

Out[93]:

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sms													
URGENT!! As a valued network customer you have been selected to receive a £900 prize reward!		0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	 0	
Lol you are always so convincing.		0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	 0	ı
Nah I don't think he goes to usf, he lives around here though		0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	 0	ı
URGENT! You have won a 1 week FREE membership in our £100000 prize Jackpot!		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	 0	
Had your mobile 11 months or more? U R entitled to Update to the latest colour mobiles with camera for Free! Call The Mobile Update Co FREE on 08002986030		1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	 2	1
Congrats! I can't wait to see you!!		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	 0	ı
2 rowo v 61 or	م محمد ما												

6 rows × 61 columns

In [94]: 1 type(toy\_df["sms"])

Out[94]: pandas.core.series.Series

Note that unlike other transformers we are passing a `Series` objec t to `fit\_transform`. For other transformers, you can define one transformer for more than one columns. But with `CountVectorizer` you need to define separate `CountVectorizer` transformers for each text column, if you have more than one text columns.

### Why sparse matrices?

- Most words do not appear in a given document.
- We get massive computational savings if we only store the nonzero elements.
- There is a bit of overhead, because we also need to store the locations:
  - e.g. "location (3,27): 1".
- However, if the fraction of nonzero is small, this is a huge win.

The total number of elements: 366
The number of non-zero elements: 71
Proportion of non-zero elements: 0.1940
The value at cell 3,27 is: 1

#### Question for you

• What would happen if you apply StandardScaler on sparse data?

### OneHotEncoder and sparse features

- By default, OneHotEncoder also creates sparse features.
- You could set sparse=False to get a regular numpy array.
- If there are a huge number of categories, it may be beneficial to keep them sparse.
- For smaller number of categories, it doesn't matter much.

### Important hyperparameters of CountVectorizer

- binary
  - whether to use absence/presence feature values or counts
- max\_features
  - only consider top max\_features ordered by frequency in the corpus
- max df
  - ignore features which occur in more than max\_df documents
- min df
  - ignore features which occur in less than min\_df documents
- ngram\_range
  - consider word sequences in the given range

Let's look at all features, i.e., words (along with their frequencies).

Out[97]:

	08002986030	100000	11	900	always	are	around	as	been	call	 update	urgen
sms												
URGENT!! As a valued network customer you have been selected to receive a £900 prize reward!	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	 0	
Lol you are always so convincing.	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	 0	ı
Nah I don't think he goes to usf, he lives around here though	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	 0	ı
URGENT! You have won a 1 week FREE membership in our £100000 prize Jackpot!	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	 0	
Had your mobile 11 months or more? U R entitled to Update to the latest colour mobiles with camera for Free! Call The Mobile Update Co FREE on 08002986030	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	 2	ı
Congrats! I can't wait to see you!!	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	 0	(

6 rows × 61 columns

When we use binary=True, the representation uses presence/absence of words instead of word counts.

Out[98]:

	08002986030	100000	11	900	always	are	around	as	been	call	 update	urgen
sms												
URGENT!! As a valued network customer you have been selected to receive a £900 prize reward!	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	 0	
Lol you are always so convincing.	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	 0	I
Nah I don't think he goes to usf, he lives around here though	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	 0	I
URGENT! You have won a 1 week FREE membership in our £100000 prize Jackpot!	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	 0	
Had your mobile 11 months or more? U R entitled to Update to the latest colour mobiles with camera for Free! Call The Mobile Update Co FREE on 08002986030	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	 1	ı
Congrats! I can't wait to see you!!	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	 0	I

6 rows × 61 columns

We can control the size of X (the number of features) using  $\max_{x}$  features.

#### Out[99]:

	free	have	mobile	the	to	update	urgent	you
sms								
URGENT!! As a valued network customer you have been selected to receive a £900 prize reward!	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1
Lol you are always so convincing.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Nah I don't think he goes to usf, he lives around here though	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
URGENT! You have won a 1 week FREE membership in our £100000 prize Jackpot!	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
Had your mobile 11 months or more? U R entitled to Update to the latest colour mobiles with camera for Free! Call The Mobile Update Co FREE on 08002986030	2	0	2	2	2	2	0	0
Congrats! I can't wait to see you!!	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1

Notice that vec8 and vec8\_binary have different vocabularies, which is kind of unexpected behaviour and doesn't match the documentation of scikit-learn.

#### Here (https://github.com/scikit-learn/scikit-

<u>learn/blob/master/sklearn/feature\_extraction/text.py#L1206-L1225)</u> is the code for binary=True condition in scikit-learn. As we can see, the binarization is done before limiting the features to max\_features, and so now we are actually looking at the document counts (in how many documents it occurs) rather than term count. This is not explained anywhere in the documentation.

The ties in counts between different words makes it even more confusing. I don't think it'll have a big impact on the results but this is good to know! Remember that <code>scikit-learn</code> developers are also humans who are prone to make mistakes. So it's always a good habit to question whatever tools we use every now and then.

```
In [ ]:
            vec8 = CountVectorizer(max features=8)
            X counts = vec8.fit transform(toy df["sms"])
         3
           pd.DataFrame(
         4
                data=X_counts.sum(axis=0).tolist()[0],
         5
                index=vec8.get_feature_names_out(),
                columns=["counts"],
            ).sort values("counts", ascending=False)
In [ ]:
            vec8 binary = CountVectorizer(binary=True, max features=8)
           X_counts = vec8_binary.fit_transform(toy_df["sms"])
          2
         3
            pd.DataFrame(
```

```
Preprocessing
```

4

5

- Note that CountVectorizer is carrying out some preprocessing when used with default argument values, such as:
  - Converting words to lowercase (lowercase=True)

data=X\_counts.sum(axis=0).tolist()[0],

).sort values("counts", ascending=False)

columns=["counts"],

index=vec8 binary.get\_feature\_names\_out(),

getting rid of punctuation and special characters ( token\_pattern = '(?
u) \\b\\w\\\b')

```
In [100]: 1 pipe = make_pipeline(CountVectorizer(), SVC())
In [101]: 1 pipe.fit(toy_df["sms"], toy_df["target"])
```

Out[101]: Pipeline(steps=[('countvectorizer', CountVectorizer()), ('svc', SVC())])
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## Is this a realistic representation of text data?

- Of course this is not a great representation of language
  - We are throwing out everything we know about language and losing a lot of information.
  - It assumes that there is no syntax and compositional meaning in language.
- But it works surprisingly well for many tasks.
- We will learn more expressive representations in the coming weeks.

## ? ? Questions for you

#### CountVectorizer: True or False

- 1. As you increase the value for max\_features hyperparameter of CountVectorizer the training score is likely to go up.
- 2. Suppose you are encoding text data using CountVectorizer. If you encounter a word in the validation or the test split that's not available in the training data, we'll get an error.
- 3. max\_df hyperparameter of CountVectorizer can be used to get rid of most frequently occurring words from the dictionary.
- 4. In the code below, inside <code>cross\_validate</code>, each fold might have slightly different number of features (columns) in the fold.

```
pipe = (CountVectorizer(), SVC())
cross_validate(pipe, X_train, y_train)
```

#### Identify column transformations

Consider the restaurant data from the survey you did a few weeks ago.

```
In [ ]:
```

```
restaurant_data = pd.read_csv("../data/cleaned_restaurant_data.csv")
restaurant_data.head(10)
```

What all feature transformations you would apply on this dataset?

# What did we learn today?

- Motivation to use ColumnTransformer
- ColumnTransformer syntax
- Defining transformers with multiple transformations
- · How to visualize transformed features in a dataframe
- · More on ordinal features
- Different arguments OneHotEncoder
  - handle unknow="ignore"
  - if binary
- · Dealing with text features

■ Bag of words representation: CountVectorizer

